A Word About Pet Washing

- If possible, bathe your pets indoors using less-toxic shampoos or have your pet professionally groomed.
 Follow instructions on the products and clean up spills.
- If you must bathe your pet outside, wash it on your lawn to keep the wash water from running into the street or storm drain.
- Even biodegradable soaps and shampoos can be harmful to marine life and the environment.



With the number of dogs in Vallejo, imagine how unhealthy it would become if no one picked up after their pets. Dog waste carries bacteria, and if left on the ground, can make people sick. It can also wash into storm drains, polluting local waterways. Dog owners can help prevent pollution by following the simple tips in this brochure.



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What's the Scoop?



Tips for healthy pets and a healthy environment

Tips for Pet Care



Create a healthy environment in and around your home by following these simple pet practices. Your pet, family and neighbors will appreciate their clean, comfortable surroundings.

Maintain your automobile and dispose of used fluids properly. Pets can be poisoned if they ingest gas, oil or antifreeze that drips onto the pavement or is stored in open containers. Recology Vallejo and the Napa-Vallejo Household Hazardous Waste Facility offer easy options for disposal.

Scooping the Poop

When walking your dog or visiting the dog park, always carry a pooper scooper or plastic bag with you to pick up your pet's waste. Pet waste is a nuisance that can wash into gutters and storm drains carrying dangerous diseases into our creeks and Bay. Properly dispose of pet waste by placing it in the trash.

Flea Control

Oral free control products are considered the most environmentally friendly option. If you use shampoos, sprays or collars, make sure to dispose of any unused portions at a Household Hazardous Waste collection center.



Healthy creeks, lakes and shorelines are important to Vallejo residents.

However, many common activities can lead to water pollution if you're not careful. Pet waste and pet care products can be washed into storm drains that flow directly to our creeks and the Bay. Unlike water in sanitary sewers (from sinks, showers and toilets), water in storm drains is not treated before entering our waterways.

Don't let pet waste or pet products enter storm drains.

